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Oyster River Students Return From Two Week Russian Trip

by Gabe Brown

On May 4th, Oyster River students and teachers returned from a thirteen-day visit in Leningrad. The travelers stayed with Soviet families and experienced all aspects of Soviet life.

My first impression of the Soviet economy was "Wow, everything is so cheap!" Later, I realized the implications of that fact.

The economy of the Soviet Union is very poor. A car can be purchased from state markets for as little as 10,000 rubles. Ten thousand rubles is about 400 dollars at the current exchange rate of 27.6 rubles to one U.S. dollar. It is good for the Soviet people that things are inexpensive, except

there are two problems. The people only make enough money to buy what they need and they can't find most consumer goods.

Some examples of Soviet prices are: Three pizzas and three peeps were 25 rubles. Tomatoes were 15 rubles a kilogram, a winter coat cost 208 rubles, a pack of Russian cigarettes is five rubles and one bottle of vodka is 20 rubles. Ballet tickets were two rubles, because the arts are state supported.

Some Soviet citizens interviewed on private enterprise wanted to start a cable company for "100 rubles installation and 15 a month."

This price is rather expensive to the Soviet



Teachers and students leave for U.S.S.R. Left-Right rear Ms. Brown, Gabe Brown, Beth Dell, Margot Anderson, Jay Seager, Mary McCleery, Mr. Herlihy, Kyle Downey

people because rent, phone and electricity costs 30 rubles a month.

When these prices are converted into dollars, they add up to

a little over a dollar for a month. This may be inexpensive to Americans, but it's not to Soviets. A teacher's salary in the

Soviet Union is about 300 rubles per month, or about ten American dollars. Most O.R.H.S. students brought more

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Seniors rehearse for Follies; opens Thurs.

Tradition Started in '74

CURTAIN OPENS ON SENIOR FOLLIES

by Nicole Bellabona

Senior Follies will be held on Thursday and Friday May 9 and 10. Student directors are Sarah Whitten, Nathan Lapierre and Sam Poole. According to Nate Lapierre "Everything is going very well."

This year's Follies is expected to be very funny and entertaining and compares to other years. Lapierre commented, "Each year is special because each class is different."

Senior Follies has been around since the mid-seventies. The money from the production goes to reducing the cost of the

senior banquet and buying the school a gift.

The song chosen for this year is "Changes," by David Bowie. Skits to look forward to are "Lock Jaw," with Toby Mautz; "Hanza and Franz," with Catherine Burger, Debbie Kline and Kristen Pelton; and "The Dating Game," with John Cirillo, Andrea Collins, Noah Learner, Andrew Muggleworth and Mike Barker.

The staff advisors are: Ms. Szot, Mrs. Lauten and Mrs. Mackay. The curtain goes up at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday in the high school cafeteria.

by Kevin Haley

The proposed faculty cuts have now been finalized, and the effects are beginning to be felt.

Almost all departments have suffered some losses. One teacher has been cut from the science, math and physical education departments, 1.4 teachers from English, .6 in foreign language, and .4 to .6 from the social studies department.

The department that will feel the effects of the cuts the most is the physical education department. With the loss of one teacher, resulting in only two teachers, a class of 40 will no longer be able to divide into a large group of 20 and two smaller groups of 10. The result will be larger activities and the loss of full court games and the "life time" sports. "In the past we have been able to offer the life time sports for the students who are less athletic," said Mrs. Abbot, "as a result those who don't enjoy the large group activities will just stand around."

Another effect the cuts will have is on

the P.E. Leadership course. With only two teachers, only one student per period will be allowed to take the course, totaling five students per semester, in contrast with two per period before the cuts.

Another department which will be hurt by the cuts is the English department. "Many electives will be offered alternate years because it is difficult to have five classes," said Mrs. Dodge, "It's hard to make preparations for five different classes." According to Mrs. Whitten three English courses, Structural Analysis and vocabulary development, Nonfiction, and Connections will not be offered next year.

Another department which is affected is the business department. As a result of the loss of .5 teachers, small classes such as Accounting II will be dropped, and the business communication classes will be combined. Also Keyboarding will be offered fewer times so it may not fit into student's schedules, resulting in fewer students being able to take Keyboarding.

In the other departments, social studies, math and science, the effects of the cuts won't be known until the enrollment and course sign-ups are finalized.

Languages Face Reductions Latin gone

by Jessie Crockett

One teacher and the entire Latin program will be cut from the Oyster River foreign language department next year.

Mrs. Shipman currently teaches three Latin classes, Latin 1, Latin 2, and a Latin 3/4 combination. There are 18 students taking Latin this year all together.

Because of overall cuts in the school budget it was necessary to cut three classes from the foreign language department. The superintendent was responsible for the decision to eliminate the Latin program based on the low level of interest on the part of the students.

One Latin three student, Junior Kate Smith, said she was upset that she had been able to pursue Latin this far and will not be able to continue on with Latin 4. Kate wants to continue with Latin when she goes to college and is disappointed that she will have to interrupt her study of the language during her senior year.

No other cuts in the department are scheduled.

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TEACHER CUTS BRING PROGRAM CHANGES

Phys Ed Department Electives Slashed

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Frosh/Soph. Plan For Spring

by Sean Healy

The sophomore class, using limited funding, is trying to keep the number of student activities at a reasonable level while raising money for next year's prom.

The freshmen are taking an organized approach to student activities. Freshman activities are planned out for the rest of the year.

Sophomore activities for this year have included volleyball, a car wash at Burger King, a sophomore night at The Works, and the frosh vs. soph softball game.

Highlights of the sophomore night at The Works included Wallyball, a form of volleyball on a racquetball court using the ceiling and walls, and racquetball. Pizza and soda was served. Mark DeRocchi suffered a minor concussion and several lacerations to the face after diving into the pool and hitting the bottom.

Infield errors stalemated the sophomore's excellent fielding last Saturday at the frosh/soph softball game. The freshmen, to the dismay of the sophomores, left the field as victors. Hot dogs, chips, and soda were served for refreshments.

The sophomores have limited funding for any further activities because of the necessity of \$600-800 as a down payment for their prom next year. The treasury currently has around \$300.

Fund raising for this cause comes in the form of selling candy bars. All sophomores can pick up a box of candy bars from Mrs. Hopkins in room 1.

The next event planned for sophomores is a night-time trip to Canobie Lake Park sometime in late May. Future freshmen activities include a Red Sox vs. Texas Rangers game, on May 12th and a trip to the beach or Water Country on June 8th.



Sam Poole slams one home

SLAM DUNK!

by Mike Card

The First Annual Oyster River Slam Dunk Contest was held on Friday, April 12th, 1991. Approximately seventy-five students participated in the contest and were there to show off their Air Jordan slam dunk moves.

The winners were as follows: Girls division winner, Stefany Shaheen; runner-up, Brenda Worden; Eight-foot division winner, Nathan Weeks; runner-up, Bryan Rutland; Nine-foot division winner, Erik Halldorson; runner-up, Sam Poole; Middle School winner, Keith Courtemache; runner-up, Jamie Mercier.

What the judges were looking for in each contestant's dunk were originality, degree of difficulty, and crowd reaction. The judges

for the contest were Bob Greenleaf, Terry Provencher, and Matt Whaley.

According to the contestants, the competition was fierce. Stefany Shaheen said, "I thought the contest was awesome."

Each participant was charged a dollar for four practice dunks. "The money is going to be used to build basketball hoops for the third and fourth graders. We will have third and fourth grade basketball this summer in the gym," Mr. Maynard said. He went on to say, "The competition may change next year, but we're thinking about having it again because it was so successful."

Mr. Fitzpatrick and Mrs. Abbott helped Mr. Maynard organize the contest.

Oyster River Drama Program to Present "The Ugly Duckling" and "Nicholas Nickolby"

by John Tersolo

Two plays are opening at the end of May: "The Ugly Duckling" and "Nicholas Nickleby". Sophomore Megan Armitage, who portrays the ugly duckling, said the play is about "a princess who is living in a world where everyone is under the spell of thinking she is ugly. Because of this, the kingdom finds her plain, but in her heart she knows she's not."

For Meghan, like many other actors in the two plays, it is her first real acting experience, other than a German play she did as a small child. "I was offered the female lead" in "Tequila Sunrise," but school

comes first," she said. Because of the large amount of people at the tryouts, Meghan was

Mr. Tappan, one of the directors of the two comedies, remarked that Wackford Squeers, played by Peter Grant, "the abusive headmaster of the school really livens up the play because of his rude actions and language." Sophomore Chandoline Byrnes portrays Fanny, another humorous character who throws herself at the feet of Nickleby. Other members of the cast include Emorie Driscoll, Chrissy Jackson, Kerri McPherson, Jessica Thibault, Dave Issokson, Mark Allen, Joe Burke, Georgeanna Jano, Jennie Mosley, Tricia

Khleif, Jason Mosely, and Tammie Spencer.

"I'm glad that they did two plays so that more people could have a chance." Senior Steve Wourgiotis, who plays the king in "The Ugly Duckling," has been in another play at a community theater and a professional play at the Hackmatack theater.

Other actors include seniors Pam Lowy and Bill McAnirlin, freshman Huntly Howell, and sophomores Nicole Bellabona and John Hill.

"Nicholas Nickleby," the first play of the evenings, stars junior Sebastien Roy, who has a few things to say about the play. "It's about a man who comes into a poor northern England private school where all the kids are thrashed around by the headmaster who is only running the school to make a profit."

Students Get a Kick out of ORYA Soccer This Spring

by David Madson

After having dropped four out of its first five games, the Oyster River Youth Association 19-under boys soccer team is hoping to pull itself together, with two tournaments coming up.

The team, coached by James Walsh, has played many of its games without several of its key players, due to injuries and vacations. As a result of the understaffed roster, "fatigue played a large role in the losses," said junior Eric Ritvo.

"If our team was at full strength, we would have won at least a couple of those games," he added.

Seth Deforest, a freshman, felt that one of the team's biggest problems is that "it relies too much on the defense and midfielders."

The team has lost to Manchester, 3-0, Con-

cord, 4-0, Upper Valley, 6-0, and Merrimack, 4-0. Their game against Keene on May 1, was stopped early on account of darkness. This game ended in a 1-1 tie.

The team has the Dartmouth Invitational Tournament and the State Knockout Tournament coming up, so improvements are needed soon.

"If all of the players would show up for every game, we would be very good. We just need a serious attitude about it," commented junior Alex Roy.

The 19-and-under team consists of: seniors Toby Mautz, Bob Gearwar; juniors Russ Deforest, Frank Sabin, Jon Criswell, Ritvo, Jim Spires, Roy, Phil Carmichael, Tom Berry; sophomores Donald Laferriere, Gabe Wallman, James Walsh, Scott Rideout, Josh Hardy; freshmen Bob Murphy and Deforest.

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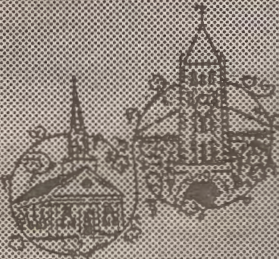
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ECOLOGY COURSE, A TWO PERIOD SCIENCE-ENGLISH CLASS AT O.R.

by Sebastien Roy

There is a new course offered to Oyster River High School students for next year. This course is entitled "Reading and Field Study in Ecology". It is a half year course which uses two periods per day. It gives 1/2 credit in both science and English to students who successfully complete it.

The course will be taught by Biology teacher Mr. Byrnes, and English teacher Mrs. Rous. The course will combine literature, scientific observation, field work, and experiments with sustainable ecological practices and models.

There are some prerequisites to the course such as the completion of, or concurrent enrollment in Biology, and the permission of the instructor.

ors.

"It is the kind of course where non traditional students and traditional students work together toward solutions of environmental problems or questions," said Mr. Byrnes.

He described the course as being divided into four main focus points. The first would be learning about sustainable systems such as recyclable systems, and the place of humans in these systems.

The second would be using student projects to practice the ways in which knowledge is acquired first hand. The attempt here is to bridge scientific theory with practice.

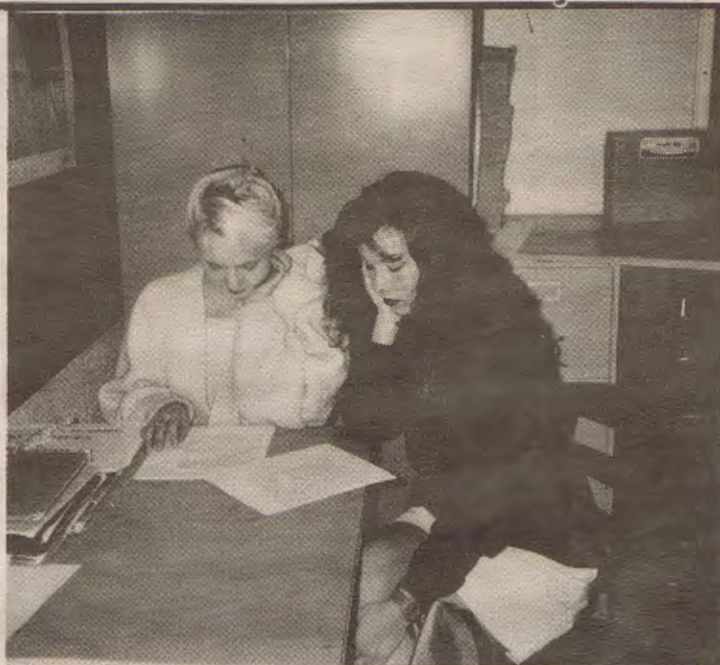
The third would be a large group project for the benefit of the school environment, such as creating a

natural area around a stream, to bring back the original plant life of the area and observe its effects. Another project would be to build an elevated nature walk around the stream, and an observation area so that groups of people could come for school projects.

The fourth focal point would be to explore the natural world through literature.

Mr. Byrnes and Mrs. Rous have talked about doing something like this for years. They have been on many natural field trips and adventures with students in the past. "It's been an ongoing cooperative adventure that has finally taken the form of a course," said Mr. Byrnes.

Twenty students are presently signed-up for the course.



Angie Dufour and Jen Hodgkins have been selected for Teen Fashion Board.

Three ORHS Students on Fox Run Mall Teen Fashion Board

By Stephanie Kentris

In the midst of a hectic day people may find the need to take a trip down to the mall. Upon entering the crowded Fox Run Mall there may be two high school students who greet shoppers with smiling faces.

These high school students are from such local area schools as Exeter, Somersworth, Portsmouth, and Oyster River. They are participating in the Fox Run Mall Teen Board Program.

The Teen Board program is run and organized by the Fox Run Mall with assistance from Barbizon International. The program offers these students the opportunity to explore careers in marketing, public relations, fashion modeling and retailing.

Three Oyster River Students, Angie Dufour, Jen Hodgkins, and Tou Saravong, along with nine other local area students are part of this program.

Their responsibilities include assisting Fox Run Mall with promotions and special events, and attending bimonthly seminars.

Dufour, Hodgkins, and Saravong attend the seminars regularly.

"A suit or something

nice is required at these seminars," said Hodgkins.

At these meetings they learn about, "Marketing, public relations, career opportunities, and things that we will be doing in the future," said Dufour.

"Right now we mostly do door greeting," commented Hodgkins, "which is part of our public relations work."

When the teens do such activities as door greeting they receive a salary of \$5.00 an hour. "We work at least five hours every time we work," said Dufour.

The teens are also required to wear special outfits when they work. "We usually wear leggings and a T-shirt that says Teen Board," commented Hodgkins.

This program functions in several ways. "We can use this program for future job references," said Dufour, "It can also be helpful with future plans."

As people leave the mall tired from a long day of shopping the last thing they may see are the bright faces of three Teen Board Greeters welcoming incoming shoppers to the mall. Those greeters might be someone you know.

RESOURCE ROOM ASSISTS STUDENTS WITH PARTICULAR LEARNING NEEDS

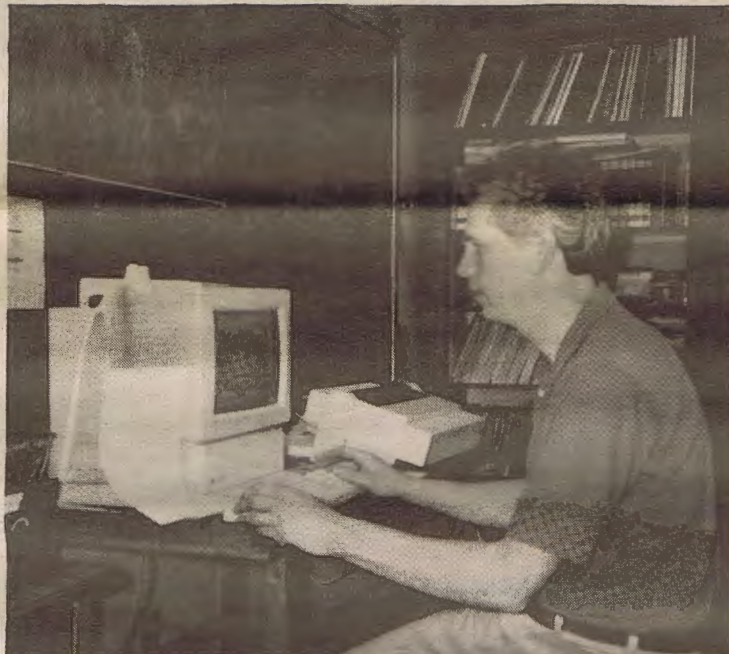
by Mike Card

Mr. Celentano bends over with pen in hand scribbling on scratch paper and helping a student understand the concepts of speculation and insider trading. Occasionally he makes faces in an attempt to lighten the atmosphere and bring humor and life into the serious topic of U.S. History.

The Resource Room is a very crazy place to be for students. The teachers make it fun while you do your work and they all have funny ways of doing things. One of them is my favorite teacher, Mr. Celentano. While Mr. C likes to keep things light and easy and makes a lot of jokes, there is also a very serious side of what it is he and Ms. Williams are trying to do.

According to Mr. Celentano, the Resource Room program is required by Public Law 94-142. "The law states that students with special needs have to have the least restrictive, most appropriate education. That's what we try to do through the Resource Room," Mr. Celentano said. Ms. Williams added, "In years past, student with special needs were sent to schools designed only for them. In 1976 this all changed and these people started being served in regular schools with regular students."

The Resource Room works in many different ways. Mrs. Whitten, who at one time was a Resource Room teacher, said that, "One way the Resource Room teacher works is to meet regular class teachers and explain what the particular student's needs are and ways to



Mr. C helps develop student goals in the Resource Room

work with students to help them to do better in the class. Resource Room teachers send out requests for progress reports at least twice a month asking how the students are doing in their classes."

Mr. Celentano added, "Some students are required to be monitored every week. Most of the time this does not last for more than a semester because the student becomes organized enough to work out his or her own strategies." Resource Room teachers check in on their students.

In one area of the Resource Room, a student is taking a U.S. History test. There is a peer tutor working with a second student on homework in Essentials of High School English and a third student is reading a book. As the students work quietly, Ms. Williams walks in from

meeting a teacher and confers with a student and one of the aides.

Right now there are two aides in the Resource Room. Their names are Beverly Lee and Jackie Plante.

There are currently thirty-seven students in the O.R.H.S. program and each one of them is expected to reach the goals set by the Resource Room staff. One of the goals of the program as stated by Ms. Brown, is "to provide the support services that the kids need to be successful at Oyster River High School."

Ms. Brown added that there is a new Resource Room program that's being developed to serve the needs of students who are coming from more restrictive programs. "The pupil placement team, Dr.

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"Victorian Garden"

Junior-Senior Prom

May 17, 8-12 pm

Frank Jones Center

Portsmouth



EDITORIAL

Cliques, a Major Negative Force at ORHS, Keep us From Being Ourselves

Look around the next time you're walking down the hall at ORHS. Now keep looking everyday for a week. Do you ever notice any changes? Does it seem like the same people are always in the same place talking with the same friends.

Oyster River may very well be the cliquiest school in America. Preps, Jocks, Wannabees, Hicks,.... We've got them all. Walking down the hallways is like running back a kickoff. You're constantly dodging huddles of people to your right and left. You cradle your books like a football as more of them leap out at you from every direction trying to get to their buddies on the other side. You're almost to the end of the hall (endzone) when from around the corner, a whole row of them walking shoulder to shoulder come toward you. You hide behind the drinking fountain until they pass.

Every year, extensive effort is put into coming up with activities to bring the student body together. But whether it's "The Works", a Red Sox game, or a school dance, you always see those same little groups.

Cliques leave a lot of people feeling left out. They are the "tweeners" who don't really fit in with any one group. Say you play basketball, but are also into "Megadeth". So are you a "jock", or are you a "metalhead"? Do you stay after school for the daily shoot a round, or do you rush home to catch "Headbanger's Ball" on MTV? What an identity crisis!

Senior Follies. The time of year where all of the seniors come together as one cohesive unit to produce the show we look so forward to each year. Right? WRONG!! Same old story. One group sits way up front during rehearsal, a couple more merge in the middle while another hides out in the back. You notice the same groups of people in every skit. They come in groups, they leave in groups. It'll be a good show, but the only time the seniors will be "together" is when we're all sitting on the stage singing the final song.

Obviously, everyone can't be friends with everyone else. People are going to hang out with people they have things in common and feel comfortable with. But cliques keep people from being themselves. In a time where everyone claims to be an individual, cliques force people to be things they're not in order to fit in with their exclusive circle of friends. So keep it in mind next time two groups bump into each other. You might have more in common than you think.

Brian Killgore

WHY ARE SO MANY STUDENTS MOVING AWAY FROM THE O.R. SCHOOL DISTRICT?

by Nicole Bellabona

Oyster River has always been regarded as a very good school. Many people go out of their way to send their children here. Some even pay tuition. But interest in Oyster River has taken a turn with next year's freshman class.

In fact approximately 20 students have applied to private schools and are not planning to attend Oyster River. The question is - Why has Oyster River been put on the bottom of their list?

There have been several suggested reasons for the lack of interest in Oyster River. One is the fact that some parents feel Oyster River is too difficult for their child to handle academically. They feel their child would lose confidence in him or herself due to the

seven point scale and competition with other students.

Eighth grader Craig Churchill who plans to attend Proctor Academy commented, "I heard there's a lot of homework at the high school and the grading system is hard."

Some parents also feel that Oyster River teachers tend to focus on smarter students. "At Proctor, the classes are small and there's more one-on-one help," Churchill said.

Another major reason for transfers is the student's particular achievement in a sport that either Oyster River doesn't offer or doesn't excel in.

Chandler Bullard, who plans to attend St. Thomas Aquinas stated, "Some of Oyster River sports seem of high caliber, but it's just a matter of what's be-

ing offered."

Oyster River's lack of programs in football and lacrosse play a part in some decisions. Some students are considering private schools such as Berwick Academy, because of their stronger hockey teams.

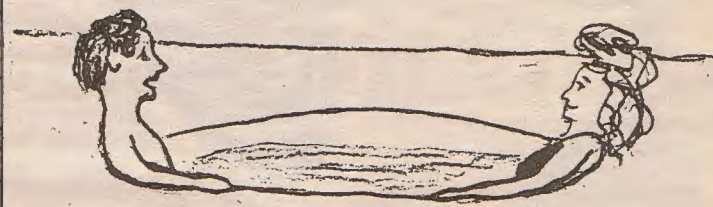
"You get noticed more if you're on a good private team," said one eighth grader.

Discipline is another issue that parents consider, and some feel Oyster River is drug ridden.

We feel Oyster River is a good school that is being unjustly overlooked. It is true that it is academically challenging, so a student who has problems with his or her studies may want to consider that. Oyster River also lacks some sports which students may have

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WHAT REALLY GOES ON IN A HOT TUB.



WHAT PARENTS THINK GOES ON IN A HOT TUB



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Commentary-

Is Tub Shop AD Obscene?????

by Kevin Haley

Who has the right to determine what is obscene? What may be offensive to one person may be considered a joke by another. In today's society, there seems to be no possible way of doing something without offending someone.

With that in mind, then why is it that restrictions are being placed on school newspapers? An incident involving censorship occurred right here at Oyster River concerning an advertisement for the Tub Shop, a local establishment where people can go to relax. The ad invites people to "Relax at the private hot tub rentals and tanning facilities." Parents who saw the ad were upset because they believed that offensive things happened at the Tub Shop and that the ad in the school paper would only be encouraging sex. Angry parents phoned Mr. Tappan and the advertisement was never seen again in an issue of the "Mouth of the River." However, the same advertisement can be found in most of the local newspapers,

including the most recent issue of the Winnacunnet student paper.

A similar incident occurred recently at Portsmouth High School. The school paper ran a cartoon to accompany an article about condom distribution. The picture was of a condom and below the picture was written "Child-proof cap, don't leave home without it." The School Board felt that the paper had crossed some line of decency.

But what is it that allows such a handful of people to decide what is offensive to hundreds of people? In a society where we are encouraged to think and make decisions for ourselves, why is it that we can't decide what is offensive for ourselves? If a parent finds something offensive in a newspaper and doesn't want their kids to read it, fine. But there should be a limit to which they shelter people. You have the right to decide for yourself what you feel is offensive, but no one has the right to make that decision for others.

STICKERS ANNOY STUDENTS

By Stephanie Kentris

In recent weeks bright orange parking stickers that read: Warning This Vehicle Is Illegally Parked. Do Not Park Here Without Authorization. A Second Violation Will Cause your car to be towed, have been placed on cars that are illegally parked in the front parking lot.

Quit a few of us have seen these stickers, if not had them placed on our cars.

These stickers are not the kind that simply pull off. These are the type that require some sort of scraping device and water.

So if you see one of these stickers on your car be prepared to stay around school for a while, and I hope for your sake you have plenty of windshield wiper fluid, sharp car keys, an unscratchable

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SPORTS

GIRLS' TRACK BOASTS LARGEST TEAM IN EIGHT YEARS

by Mark MacBeth

The Oyster River Girls Track Team has had a high level of participation this season with 25 girls signed up. Coach Wayne Scott commented that this spring's team is probably the largest in eight to ten years.

The most recent meets for the team were the Junior/Senior meet on Friday, May 3rd, at Spaulding and the Freshmen/Sophomore meet which took place at Salem on Saturday, May 4th. The team did not place in either meet but Jen Thompson placed second in the 1600 at the Junior/Senior meet.

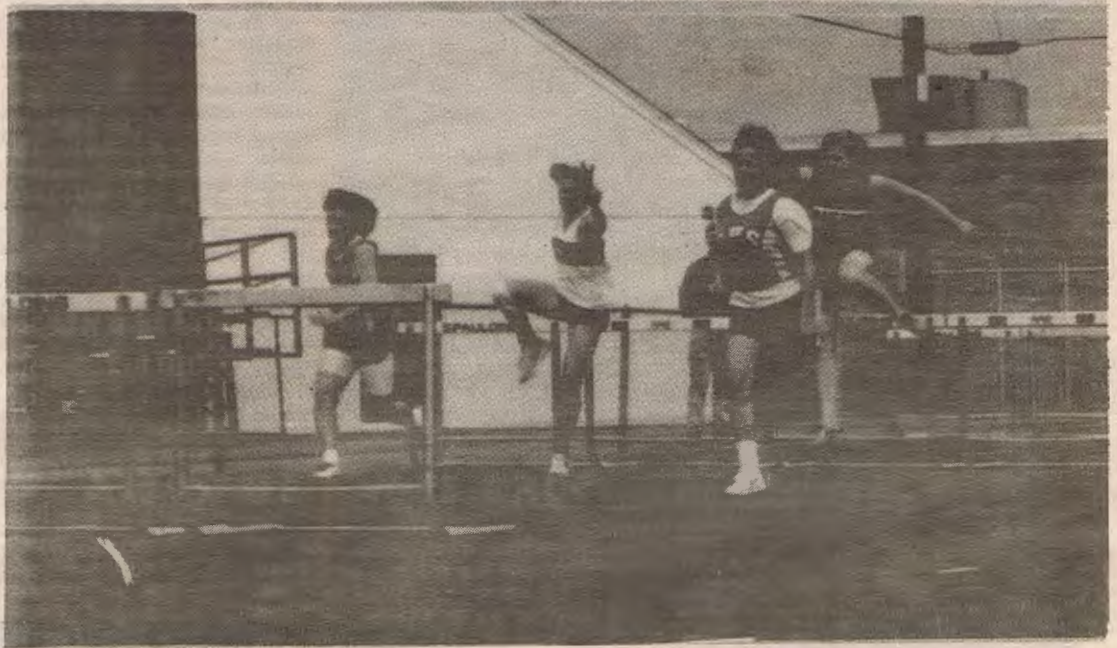
A number of records for this season have been set as well as many personal records. Jen Thompson placed first in the London-

derry Invitational in the 3200 meter race also creating a new meet record there with her time. Julie Walsh and Leslie Anderson are doing well in javelin.

New team members include: Anderson, Amy Priestley, Stacy Sweet, Walsh, Molly Capron, Holly MacKay, Dawn Myric, Jessica Surdam, Amy Ulrich, and Shirley Woodward.

Coach Scott and the members of the team, all have similar reasons for being a part of the team. Scott likes to see his team improve and gets a real kick out of somebody going to the state finals.

As for the team, there is a feeling of friendship among everyone, commented Monica Hudson.



Amy Priestley jumps the hurdles in Spaulding Junior-Senior meet May 3.

BOYS' TENNIS ACING COMPETITION

by Ellen Lalicata

The Boy's Tennis team was undefeated until they lost recently to Somersworth and Derryfield. They did win against Berlin, however, and their record is now 7 and 2.

Despite the loss, the team has maintained their confidence and high spirits.

"The team is really strong this year," commented Nate Weeks, Junior. When asked how he thought the team would finish the season, Weeks replied, "Undefeated, maybe not, but we have a good chance of winning the Class I State Championships."

Senior Sam Poole agreed. "I think the team has a great chance

of winning the Class I because of our experience, and because we have young players with a lot of talent."

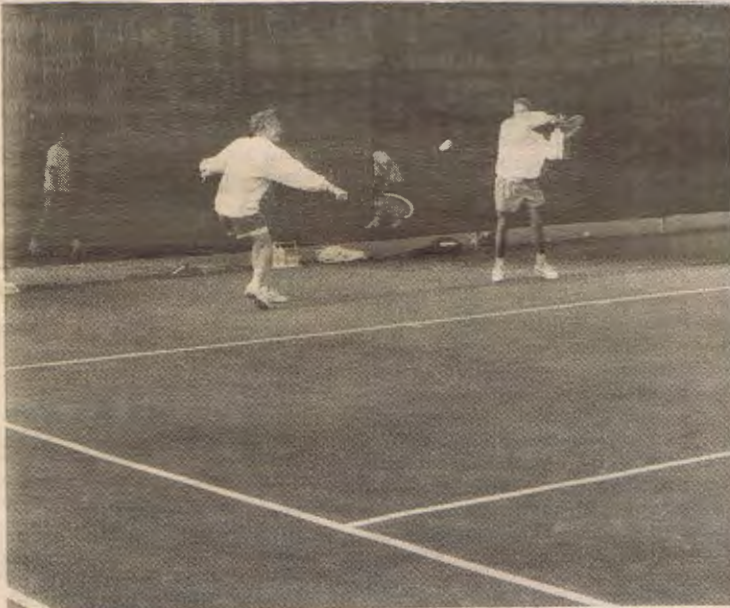
Coach Tim Craig is enjoying his first year working with the Oyster River High School's Boy's Tennis team. He feels the players are really trying and have improved a lot since the beginning of the year. "They're a good bunch of kids and they're working hard. I think they'll do well."

Coach Craig's major concern is not so much with coming out on top, but with the individual players. "The question is, are they getting better? Are they enjoying themselves?" He feels it's most important that the players

give it their best effort.

Whether the team makes it to the Class I State Championships or not remains to be seen. And though nothing can beat this team's spirit, the players feel that a little public participation wouldn't hurt. Junior Bryan Rutland states bluntly, "I think we'd be more motivated if we had more fan support."

The members of the team are as follows: Alex Collins, Matt Frazer, Even Freuder, Fred Jonsson, Scott, Matseas, Sam Poole, Bill Stansfield, John Waskiewicz, Bryan Rutland, Frank Sabin, Nathan Weeks, Owen Bruder, Chris Cloitre, Dan Gault, Darren Miller.



N.H.'s #1 seeded doubles pair Sam Poole and Alex Collins prepare for tennis match.

SOFTBALL TEAM PLAYS ON DESPITE INEXPERIENCE

by John Cirillo

This year's varsity girls softball team if off to an 0-8 start. The team is young and inexperienced with only 2 seniors, 1 junior, 1 sophomore, and 10 freshmen.

When first year Coach Jackie Plante was asked about some of the goals she had for the team, she said, "I would like the team to qualify for the tournament, but if not, at least for them to play as hard as they can." According to Plante, some mental and physical errors are causing problems for the team, especially during the bottom of the sixth inning or the top of the seventh.

According to senior Sue Varholy, the team

hit well against Timberlane on May 1 even though they lost 21-9. The team also played well against Pembroke and Kennett.

"I think Coach Plante is a good coach, but with the inexperience and youth of the team, I think she may expect a little too much of us," stated freshman standout Diane Jennison. Diane is one of the big surprises this year, leading the team with a .313 average and moving from the outfield in to the shortstop position.

When talking with Coach Plante about the experience of the team and what she was trying to do, she said, "there are no softball teams in this area until high school, so many of our

players are first year players. They need to go to camps during the offseason and practice by themselves when they can."

Even though the team is off to a bad start, Coach Plante thinks the girls have what it takes, but all they need is the will to want to win.

The team includes seniors Sue Varholy and Elaine Courtemanche, junior Sherri Hoyt, sophomore Jay Seger, and Freshmen Anita Pudil, Kim Golding, Diane Jennison, Nicole Beck, Lori Anderson, Heather Churchill, Maggie Jentes, Emily Olech, Julie Pemberton, and Amy Matthews.

Next home game is on Monday May 13 against Kingswood.



Robert Sherrie Hoyt pitches to Timberlane

PERSONAL AND MEET RECORDS SET IN SPRING TRACK SEASON

by Amy Levesque

The Oyster River boys track team got off to a great start at a meet between Oyster River, Spaulding, Alvirne, and Somersworth. At this point in the season with a record of 2-4 the team showed hard work and training with 5 1st place victories in the April 20 meet.

Now halfway through the season there has been a great turn out. Twenty people have joined this year's team. "I think our team has been doing well. I think we have improved a lot from the winter track season" captain Roberto Acosta said.

Even though many people have joined since the winter track season team spirit is high. "I feel our team is working in complete unity. Everyone gets along which makes it better," junior Ben

Hudson said.

Many personal records have been set since the beginning of the year. In the 3200m Junior Scott Poteet and Sophomore Mike Northrop each set respective times of 10:25 and 10:34. In the 800m, Senior Captain Brendan Crill pr'd (set a personal record) with a time of 2:05, and sophomore Russ Warren the team point leader, in the 1600m, raced to a time of 4:48. A new runner, Bill MacAninlin, threw the javelin 117 ft a personal record for him.

Many new runners have joined the team this year. Steve Wourgiotis, a senior, joined the team this year because, "I wanted to get in shape and to join a school sport before I graduate. I liked the people on the team so I joined." Sebastien Roy, also a

new runner, felt welcomed when he first joined. "Everyone was awesome. They like new runners because there are more opportunities for points for the team."

"A good track season begins at X-country," explains Roberto Acosta to the baffling question of the difference between X-country and track.

"There are strategy differences between long and short races. There is more time to think about what you are going to do in long races. Short races are so fast you don't have time to think," Brendan Crill said.

With 3 meets left in the regular season, each runner hopes to qualify for the Class I meet. "I seriously think we have a good chance at the Class I title," Roberto Acosta commented.



Shot putter Brandon Ammann

BASEBALL TEAM COPES WITH LOSING STREAK

by Bill Simmons

The Oyster River boys varsity baseball team is off to a slow start this year at 1-9. Their only win came in the second game of a double-header vs. Kennebec on April 13th.

"We have been out-hitting all of the teams, but we lose because of errors," claims Kevin Haley.

This season has been plagued by Bobcat errors. Errors have often let the go-ahead runs score for their opponents.

Injuries have also hurt the Bobcats this season. Pitcher Greg Provencher had strained tendons in his arm and team captain Josh Hodsdon was hurt in practice.

Less-experienced players have had to play in their positions raising the probability of errors.

According to Varsity coach Jerry LaChance

they will be a better team in the future. "We're going to improve. We are looking to improve every day, every game, every practice."

"Other teams don't beat us," says Josh Hodsdon, "we beat ourselves."

The JV team was more successful at the beginning of the season, going 2-2, but have lost their last three games and are now 2-5. "We should have won every game," claims JV player Jeff Stacy.

"JV is a lot better than last year," said JV outfielder Matt Swanson, "We look a lot better."

"We're doing well," claims one player, "but a lot of the time we lose our concentration."

Varsity's next home game is March 13th vs. Kingswood. JV plays home today vs. Sanborn.



Bobcat bench (l to r) Eric Giguere, Josh Hodgson, Tucker Katz, Kurt Pearsall, Andy Pudil

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HEROLD AIMS FOR OLYMPICS IN '92

by Sarah Whitten

"Pay attention to this girl, because someday when she is at the Olympics you can say that you knew her when." These were the words of my tenth grade geometry teacher, referring to then freshman Larissa Herold.

Larissa is definitely well on her way to the Olympics having spent ten years swimming competitively. Now a junior at Oyster River, Larissa spends an average of three hours a day practicing.

Her older brother got her started in swimming when he joined the Oyster River Otters. Later her swim instructor at the Dover indoor pool said she had "enormous talent" and should do something with it.

Larissa's hard work has paid off even though, "Yes, there certainly are those times" when she doesn't

want to be swimming. She knows that "those practices in which you hurt the most are the ones that you benefit from the most."

She has made the Olympic trials in the 100 meter backstroke, 200 meter backstroke and the 100 meter butterfly. The Olympic trials will take place in the middle of this year. The top two swimmers from each event will go to the Olympics.

Larissa's other swimming achievements include the Olympic Fest. in 1989, and the Junior National Team which took her to Europe (East Berlin and Paris) to represent the U.S. in competition.

Recruitment from colleges has begun for Larissa. She is considering U. Cal Berkeley, U.C.L.A., Michigan, Stanford, U.N.C. Chapel Hill, and Texas.

Following Larissa through a typical Tuesday would lead you to the Dover Indoor Pool at five o'clock in the morning. After stretching for a few minutes she will get in the pool and swim intervals until 6:30 a.m.. Upon finishing her practice she heads home to get ready for school. At 2:45 p.m. Larissa goes home from school and has a snack before leaving for the pool once again. She will then spend from 4-6:30 p.m. swimming intervals again, only this time the intervals are more difficult.

Larissa eats dinner at 7 p.m. and then begins her homework at 7:30 and usually works until 9:00. To help unwind from a long day she listens to music or watches t.v. before falling asleep, knowing that tomorrow will be another day of hard work.



Herold takes a moment out of busy schedule to talk to MOR

SPRING FLING HOOP REPORT GIRLS' TENNIS TEAM GOES FOR #1

by Brenda Worden

There are five teams this year participating in the intramural spring fling basketball league. One team consists of all teachers and the remaining teams consist of mainly high schoolers, but there are also some middle schoolers participating.

The games are played between April 17th and May 28th. The final four games will be played on June 3rd and 4th. There are four seven minute quarters with running time, and each team has only two timeouts. The last minute of the second and fourth quarter will be stop time as will

free throw situations.

Each team must have at least five players to play, and if they do not they will have to forfeit. If you miss your assignment (as timer or referee) you will miss your team's next game.

"This is great competition, and it's a good chance for people who are not playing a spring sport to participate in some sort of athletics. It keeps the school athletically active," says Matt Koener of Team B.

"The student teams are evenly matched, but the faculty team is stacked with seemingly non-faculty members," said Dave Madson of Team C.

by Matt Koener

Oyster River's Girls Tennis Team is on the right road to winning this year's state championship with an undefeated season in Class I play. They've only experienced one loss to a Class C school, Derryfield.

Sophomore Jen Friel, in her first year has "done real well," said Coach Ginger Craig. Jen has won all of her Class I matches and has only lost once to Derryfield. Laurie Paquette, who is ranked second on the team, has started out by winning all of her first five matches.

"Everyone has improved since the beginning of the year,"

says Erica Beck, including freshman, Beth Dell, who "has a good future," predicts Coach Craig.

When asked to comment on the coach, Mandy Tappan and Erica Beck said, "She's so nice. She's great! We need her advice. We learn a lot when we're playing."

Coach Craig, also a teacher, says she teaches "sportsmanship within the team," and also that "people have feelings."

This year's Girls Tennis Team consists of: Marnie Hylton, Laurie Paquette, Danielle Wesley, Erica Beck, Meredith Sawyer, Mandy Tappan, Monica Dufour, Jen Friel, Jen

Hamilton, Michelle Monroe, Jill Shapiro, Beth Dell, and Coach Ginger Craig.

Upcoming matches will be played: May 13 at Kingswood, and the final match on the 15th at home against Timberlane. The State Championship will be held on May 12.

There will be a fundraising tournament on May 17th, 18th, and 19th. The tournament is set up by the Boosters Club and is open to anyone interested. The money earned goes towards the ORHS tennis teams. The tournament has already provided for new team uniforms, the wind screens, and the resurfacing of the courts.

GROWING ORHS PRESENCE AT D.B.C.

by Chris Andersen

The Crew Team, out of the Durham Boat Club, consists of students from Oyster River High School and other schools in the area.

In the 1990-91 season, Chris Taube and Graham Duncan have been in the Fosters Daily Democrat a few times for their great rowing abilities. They

have been in many competitions around the country and have won a lot of them. For instance, they were in the paper for winning in the junior olympic trials. Chris and Graham do the doubles rowing and have become a very good and well known team.

They go to competitions in places like Philadelphia, areas in

California, and the Nationals which take place in Indianapolis. Chris is going to be rowing in college.

Other students who row for the Durham Boat Club are Isabelle Granoux, Liz Bucar, Jenna McNeill, Kristen Pelton, and Jessica Orken.

"Chris and Graham are the best at it, so they basically coach themselves and go to practice when they want," said Jenna McNeill. McNeill and the remaining members are coached and go to practice when they have the free time. In their practices, they row four miles either on the bay or the Oyster River.

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Lapierre directs "The Brute"

by Skot Long

The third student-directed play of the year, "The Brute," showed the exuberance and artistic talent that is evident at Oyster River High School.

"The Brute," written by Anton Chekov as directed by senior Nathan Lapierre. It starred junior Ellen Lalicata as the widow, Mrs. Popoff, senior Noah Learner as the brute, Mr. Smirnov, and junior Tim Myers as the servant, Looka.

Ms. Lalicata displayed incredible talent for her first time upon the O.R.H.S. stage. She cried and grieved in the best mourner's tradition.

Mr. Learner also

showed O.R.H.S. that an actor lurks inside of him as he played with vigor the role of the evil brute.

Tim Myers once again gave us a performance worthy of his abilities. He went to new lengths with this role, from crying to Russian folk dancing.

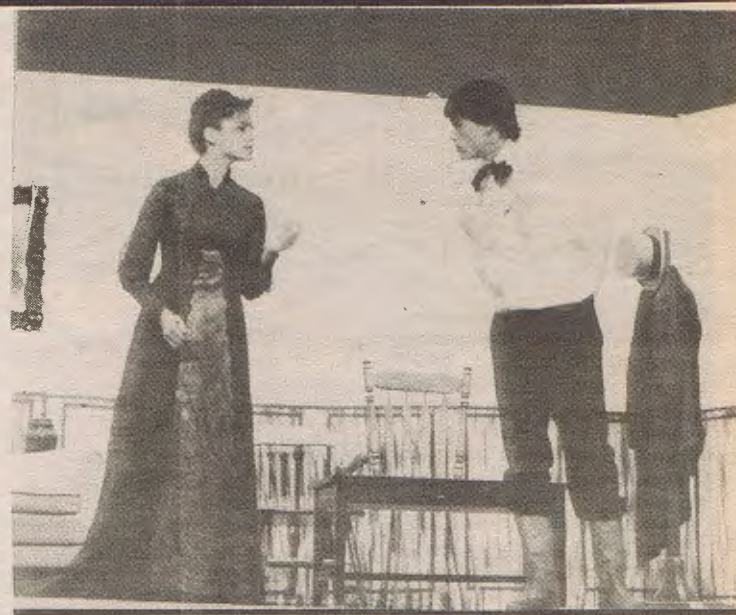
The director, Nathan Lapierre, deserves a tremendous amount of credit. It is difficult to be a senior in high school, starring in one play, and directing another. Lapierre basically gave up his life to live in these school hall's.

One fault with this play was the lack of set. Due to the tiny budget of the O.R.H.S.

drama program, this play used the standard "room" set that we've seen two other times this year.

The second fault was the confusion of the relationship between Ms. Lalicata and Mr. Learner. It was difficult to tell when they were supposed to love and hate each other. This could have been the result of the translation of the play from Russian to English.

These student directed plays are a valuable asset to this school. They allow students to try a new medium, and take pride in their work. "The Brute" lived up to these expectations and then some, as all the student directed plays have this year.



Ellen Lalicata and Noah Learner confront each other in recent one-act "The Brute."



"Fantasticks" cast lines up to take a bow.

Dual Casts Perform "The Fantasticks"

by Sebastien Roy

Oyster River's version of the Broadway musical "The Fantasticks" did not attract as many theatergoers as plays in the past few years such as "Candide" or "Oklahoma." This may have been for a variety of reasons such as lack of advertisement and excitement during the days before performances.

The actors that were picked to do this play were split into two casts because of the small number of characters. Cast "A" was composed of Nathan Lapierre, Skot Long, Bill Stansfield, Steve Crawford, Meredith Sawyer, Owain Harris, Andy Pudil, and Briana Campbell. Cast "B" was composed of Emily Franzosa, Gabe Brown, Ben Stamper, Sarah Jones, John Tersolo, Brendan Crill, Ben Hudson, and James Walsh.

Cast "B" seemed to have learned their lines better than cast "A," which made their piece more fluid, but that did not keep cast "A" from making their performances quite funny by using a mix of outstanding acting and superior stage presence.

Both casts did an

excellent job at making this play a very humorous experience for the audience. One of the funniest scenes in the play was the sword fighting scene between

Emily Franzosa as El Gallo, and James Walsh as Matt. This rather exaggerated scene was perfect for the mood of the play. It added much humor to such an important part of the plot by making the sword fighting look exaggerated but comical.

It was the little things that made this play so funny, such as the dragged-out, fake death of Mortimer, done by Brendan Crill and Andy Pudil.

Another excellent scene was the last argument between the two fathers, Huckleby and Belomey. All four fathers, Skot Long, Bill Stansfield, Ben Stamper, and Gabriel Brown, did an outstanding job at fitting into their characters.

Overall, I enjoyed the play, but it is mainly due to the contribution of some outstanding performers such as Sarah Jones, Meredith Sawyer, Ben Stamper, Owain Harris, and Skot Long. These actors made both casts stand out as extremely talented groups.

This play was a delectable treat of comic theatre.

O.R.H.S. Students Enjoy All-State Experience

by Steve Wourgiotis

This year, Oyster River High School sent six students to the 1991 New Hampshire All-State Music Festival. Brandon Ammann (cello) and Alexia Taylor (violin) were members of the orchestra, while Christina Chenausky (soprano), Stephen Crawford (tenor), and Matt Frazer and Steve Wourgiotis (basses) participated in the chorus.

This year's All-State Festival was one of the most exciting and intense musical experiences of my life. Over the three-day workshop, I met and sang with many students from other schools. It is always interesting to meet kids from other schools and different backgrounds, but it is especially nice when they are musicians like myself.

In particular, I was

able to spend the weekend with a friend that I met last year at All-State. We sang together ate lunch together, and hung out whenever we were on break. It made All-State a lot more enjoyable.

Another nice thing about All-State is that the guest director is generally a widely recognized college choir director. All-State with these great directors is a learning experience - we learn techniques and skills that help to improve our singing. This year's director was Dr. Ferguson. He helped my singing through new ideas for "visualizing" and locating the sound within the body, as well as his rigorous practice schedule - those of us who were part of the chorus (200 or so) found ourselves singing for nearly 20 hours over two and a half days!

If Dr. Ferguson hadn't been so full of humor and vitality, I doubt that we would have made it through the 5-hour rehearsals.

A crucial part to every All-State is the host family. Luckily, the couple to whose care Stephen Crawford and I were assigned were among two of the nicest, most generous people that I have ever met. Our first night there, we were received with smiles and food. They got up early in the morning and stuffed us with eggs, bacon, toast, cereal, and doughnuts. Similar treatment was waiting for us upon our return both evenings. We each had our own room, and even got to use their hot tub!

The host family, the director, and the other students all made this year's All-State a very pleasurable weekend.

Groovechild and Yo! MTV Raps

Durham Music Scene

by David J. Schommer
Groovechild, a local band has just come out with their first tape, "Children of the Groove." All band members are from the Oyster River high school. Jeff Bibbo is the lead singer, Bryan Killough plays lead guitar, Andy Lanoie plays drums, and Jim Spires is the bass player. The band's new tape is simply amazing. It's a combination of funk and jazz. The jazz influence comes from Bryan Killough's prior experience with jazz guitar. In the beginning of "Crazy Love" Bryan's jazz influence is apparent. This song is conceived by another Oyster River student Kevin Hahn.

Another great song on the tape is "Dynamite Chicken," this is a total funk song. Jeff Bibbo summarized the

feel of the song best when he said, "The song has a funky nitrous feel to it." Sarah Whitten and Jesse Fields provide background vocals for this song. Jeff Bibbo described the "Dynamite Chicken" as, "this song began as a total joke during a live performance, but caught on."

The tape "Children of the Groove" contains five original songs, "Children of the Groove," "Highway Man," "Crazy Love," "Dynamite Chicken," and "On the Bridge," the slowest of songs on the tape.

"Children of the groove" has a feeling usually only found in live performances. Groovechild plays with an intensity not found in most bands. The new tape "Children of the Groove" has captured this feeling and should not be missed.



by Brenda Worden

As Dr. Dre and Ed Lover from Yo! MTV Raps put it, "We're here to bum rush UNH," and by the end of the evening almost everyone in the Strafford Room at the MUB, had felt that so-called "rush" that they were talking about in the beginning.

The upbeat tempo of the almost two-hour show, was varied throughout the evening, with a dance contest, a rap contest, and music videos.

One very important message that the two were trying to convey during the show was that whether white, black, red, or green, everyone is equal and should be treated the same, no matter what color their skin is or what they look like. The two VJ's demonstrated this by taking

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Commentary-**Senioritis Found to be Terminal: Victims have only until June 14**

by Michael Moriarty

"Mike, where is your article?"

"What article?"

"The one you were supposed to do over vacation. The one that was due today!"

"Well you see Mrs. Whitten, I haven't been feeling that well this quarter. As a matter of fact, when my college acceptance arrived, I went and took a nap, and just getting out of bed is now a painful experience. I thought about the paper. I almost wrote the article Friday before vacation, but my dad made me go to the Bruins/Canadiens game in Boston. That took the entire evening away from me."

"Saturday I was coaxed into going to see a local band play. I did however, do some journalism. I had my picture taken for the 'New Hampshire' newspaper. That night I attempted to prepare myself for college by attending a party."

"I really don't remember Sunday or Monday. I think I slept through both of those days. More college practice."

"Tuesday, Undeserved Spankings practiced. That ran late, but we do have a new song that I just 'no' you'd love. Tuesday night there was another party. This one though, was really big and important."

"Wednesday I went to look at the college that I plan on attending. That night

Glenn's parents weren't home, so a bunch of adults went over to keep him company."

"I tried to write it Thursday, but I didn't have any paper. So Lance and I went to the mall, but there wasn't any 'College Ruled' paper, so I spent the money on a CD instead."

"I went camping Friday. I left around noon, and didn't return until noon Saturday. I did attempt to write when I returned, but it was such a nice day out, I ended up taking a nap in the sun. I did get a tan though."

"Sunday I decided that since it was the last day of high school vacation I should spend it going to a movie. I didn't get home until seven, and after eating dinner, and watching a little TV, and a little more TV, it was too late to write anything of good quality. I decided instead to write it during my assigned study (Failed a class). But I overslept and missed it. So during Advanced Writing I started working on it, but Mrs. Winterbottom yelled at me for 'Cutting Study.' More time slipped away from me, but it moved me a little closer to graduation."

"I love Journalism, don't get me wrong. I just have not been feeling very active lately. I probably won't even be in school

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PARKING FRUSTRATES STUDENTS

by Eric Singer

Parking at Oyster River High School has become a little cramped lately. This seems to be due to the underclassmen who are getting their licenses much earlier in the year and are being allowed to drive to school. In all there are fifty under class students parked along the side of the road all the way down past Mangene's driveway.

There are thirty-four parking stickers issued to Seniors and Tuition students. There seems to be enough parking for everyone but, there are late arrivals who usually double park in the front parking lot or they have to park on the road at the end and walk all the way up to the school.

There have been no solution to the parking issue as yet. "one solution that could be



done is extend the front parking spaces by removing the grass median and making more spaces. Also what could be done is making

for stickers on the first come first serve basis. The school could have students car pool," states Mrs. Winterbottom.

THEFTS RISE THIS YEAR

by John Tersolo

The rise in theft at Oyster River High School has resulted in two major incidences. A piano tuner and other musical equipment have been stolen from Mr. Twiss, the music director of ORHS, and a \$11-de projector from Mr. Tappan's English class.

Mr. Twiss commented that there were "dam-

ages totaling over 1000 dollars. Whoever did it is looking at grand theft." Mr. Twiss would not name any suspects because he does not want to accuse anyone without proof. "We are more concerned with getting things back than going after somebody."

Ms. Nancy Winterbottom, school admini-

strator and vice principal of the school, had a few things to say about the situation at Oyster River. "I think it is a sad thing to live in a community where we can't trust one another. I am concerned about theft," she continued, "but it is not one of our top priorities here at Oyster River."

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inator for the Oyster River School District and I decided to provide programming in this school for kids who had been placed outside the school district in programs like TAC, Strafford Learning Center, and other schools that focused on more serious disabilities that we were not able to deal with. We developed a program called the Extended Resource Room." The teacher for

those classes is Mrs. Strauss. This program is very new and is constantly being modified, according to Ms. Brown.

Part of this new system is an emphasis on vocational training. Mr. Gasinski, a vocational counselor, comes from the Strafford Learning Center. He places students in work study programs and helps them develop skills that they will need in a working environment.

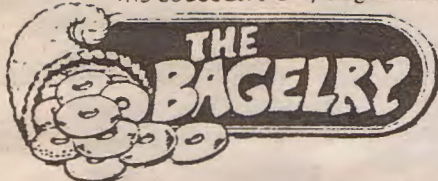
At the end of the

quarter, a Resource Room student walked into Mr. Lord's homeroom to pick up his report card and smiled from ear to ear. There were 3 A's, 1 B, and 1 C on his report card. He made Honor Roll.

As a Resource Room student I like the help from my Resource Room teachers and the Extended Resource Room teacher and I liked taking Study Skills at O.R.H.S. for the past four years and got some good grades from being in the Resource Room program.



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Biology Class Studies the Unborn

by Sarah Whitten

The third period Advanced Biology class has been spending its lab time dissecting fetal pigs.

Fetal pigs are the unborn animals that come from the womb of a slaughtered mother pig. The pigs are obtained from Carolina Biological Supply Company.

The anatomy of a pig is similar to that of a human so the structure can be used to aid the students in a better understanding of the human body.

Not everyone in the Advanced Biology class has chosen to dissect.

Some students prefer to sit and watch the dissection and others don't even want to be in the room. Those who choose not to participate at all are doing other projects on anatomy.

"It's definitely a good experience," commented one senior in the class.

So far dissections have been completed of the digestive system and the cardiovascular system.

The digestive system involved looking at glands in the neck area, the stomach, the esophagus and the intestines. The

cardiovascular system involved the heart, the lungs and all of the major veins and arteries in the body.

According to teacher

Mr. Byrnes the project provides, "exposure to the variability of a real organism. It closes the gap between 'the ideal textbook' and actual anatomy. It demonstrates the principle of structure fits function."

When asked if most high school students had this opportunity, Mr. Byrnes stated, "only at the advanced level."

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tomorrow. The weather man said it was going to be a great beach day, and..."

"Mike it sounds to me like you have Senioritis."

"You mean that awful disease that affects the minds of seniors around the world, making them lazy because they already have the proper amount of credits to graduate, and have been accepted to the college of their choice? If you want, I'll go to the nurse so none of the other students get infected. But first I'll stop by the caf. for a donut and maybe move my car to a closer parking place. Can you believe it? Me, senioritis."

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races.

Isabelle Granoux and Liz Bucar are the only ones that have a race coming up in the near future. A race consists of a distance of 2,000-2,500 meters.

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ed to occur so both Spanish 5 and French 5 are being offered next year.

In the school year '92-'93 plans are being made for a class in Russian. The program would be offered on a probationary basis and would be funded by a grant rather than the school budget.

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windshield, and plenty of time.

If the stickers were placed in a different position on the windshield, I think the administration would get the same point across with less aggravation and annoyance on the students' behalf. I mean the they would have to be removed anyway.

I have to agree that there is a definite problem, but I highly doubt slapping fluorescent orange stickers on windshields is going to help- if anything it will put stronger tensions between student body and administration.

It seems that Ms. Brown, our school principal, is placing these stickers on the cars due to an apparent parking problem. And it is part of her job to keep the parking lot legal and safe, which is understandable.

What I cannot seem to understand is- why she uses these impossible-to-remove stickers? And why are they being placed directly in front of the drivers' side of the windshield, so they block the drivers' vision?

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an interest in. As for drug use, Oyster River has problems like all other schools, but drugs are not hard to avoid here. Oyster River is a well established and respectable school system and is good enough for anybody.

Oyster River is losing students to schools like St. Thomas, Tilton, Philips Exeter and Proctor Academies. The question is-are they better?

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a few audience members of different races, bringing them on stage and telling them that they all could make a difference if they worked together.

With the stage set up to resemble that of the show featured on MTV six days a week, the pair would periodically throw out rap trading cards, YO! MTV Raps t-shirts, and shake hands and interact with the crowd as much as possible.

The highlight of the evening was when Ed Lover explained the dance and rap contests by singing parodies to

popular rap songs, and doing his rendition of the "Hammah" dance, the Flavor Flav dance, Bobby Brown dances, and other contemporary dance steps. He also demonstrated the newly popular "Ed Lover Dance" by combining the original dance steps with some new moves created for the current national college tour.

Unfortunately, the only downfall of the whole evening was the lack of publicity for the concert. There were many who missed out, and wished that they had gone, but didn't hear about it until after the concert was over.

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money on the trip than Soviets see in two years.

The problem with things being very cheap is that when foreigners enter the country with a lot of foreign currency, they can buy goods a lot cheaper and take them home. The major problem with this is that it is taking away what few goods there are for Soviets.

When you are in the Soviet Union almost any time you pass a food store you can see a line that stretches two or three blocks at

goods in the Soviet

state stores prices are cheaper because the state regulates the prices so that everyone can afford to buy merchandise.

There are two other major types of economic trade: the black market and bartering.

A lot of people buy and sell on the black market. On the black market things are much more expensive. T-shirts cost about 125 rubles. A fur hat costs 175 rubles. This is only five or six dollars. To us it is very little but when

you remember that an average salary is 300 rubles a month and 30 rubles are needed for housing, these prices are high. If you bought a hat, you would only have 100 rubles for a month's food.

The major advantage to the black market is that you can find almost anything you want, but it might be a little more expensive. In state stores, a car costs 10,000 rubles. The only problem is you can't find one to buy. On the black market, a car costs 60,000 rubles and you can always find one.

The final major way of trading is bartering. It is also probably the most efficient. People will give someone two bottles of vodka in exchange for them to repair the shutters on their summer house.

This works very well because both sides are satisfied with the exchange.

In general, I think these economic strategies work well for the Soviet people while their economy is in such a slump.



Jen Robertson plays for "The Brute."

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If you were to take any teacher to the Prom, who would it be and why?



Junior Glenn Watt-
"Mrs. Whaley, she's
so liberal, she'd
pay



Junior Ally Limber-
"Mr. Fitzpatrick, he's
a good dancer."



Senior Lance Watertfield-
"Mrs. Mackay, we
could double with
her daughter and
John Cirillo"



Senior
Janice Philbrook-
"Mr. Perry, he's
5000000
millionaire."

1991 SENIOR COUNTDOWN 1991

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13	14	15	16	17 Prom
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30 no school	31
3 Sports Awards	4	5	6 Honors Night	7
9 Baccal. 10 Finals	11	12	Senior Banquet	GRAD.

PERSONALS/CLASSIFIED

by Ellen Lalicata and
Matt Koener

Dear Dave, I miss
your long, sexy legs.
Come on over! Love,
Hannah

Dumbo, do your ears
hang low . . . ?

Yo, Willy, you got
me.

Happy 8th Matthew
(Smoka)! love, Jess
I love you!!

Buy a tie-dye.

Send me a dollar:
M.A.
347 Dame Rd.
Durham, NH 03824

C.B.T., the lawn
needs mowing.

Ryan, want some
banana bread? Cherry
pie? S.V.

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Roses are red,
violets are blue. I
need a date; how about
you! B.H. 679-8710

If a waiter were to
ask, "What do you
want?", we would say we
want "two Sam Pooles,
please!!" Yum!!!

Happy Birthday,
Lesley! Love, Moi

Free the slaves from
bondage! ssSHHH! Who
did it?! Ieha! Gerome!
You can't use this
(Rrrriipp)! Quiet down,
please!! Got any more
soup? Sprouts!

Don't be afraid to
get your feet wet. I
don't always try this
hard. Take a chance.

Spud, Roses are red,
violets are green. I
want to be with you
prom night, if you know
what I mean.

Anna Banana, let's go
shoot pool with the
zips man.

Crank you're not
mean at all not. Mr.
Inquisitive, your head
is wobbling, why is
that? We're kidding
don't blow a fuse.
Read the brochure

Ed Shepard- I love
you, I want you. Break
up with J. for me. I'll
be your love slave.
-you know who

My Chiquita Banana.
I know this is a little
late, but is 6 months
long enough? 4/7 and
3/10 are days we'll
remember! Oh, it's
11:11 by the way!

SENIORS, good luck from
M.O.R. staff.

To whom it may
concern: most of you
stink. I don't like
most of the people at
O.R.. Thank you.
-Lance Waterfield